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1. The Institute for Naval Projects (IPRONAV) was founded in December 1950. Its main offices are in Bucharest with a branch office in Braila. Although the original plan called for 300 employees in Bucharest and approximately 100 in Braila, lack of funds has limited the number to 120 in Bucharest and 35 in Braila.
2. The purpose of the Institute is to draw up plans for the building and repair of naval craft. Although it was hoped that such offices would be established throughout the country's shipyard centers, activity has been limited.
3. The principal activity of IPRONAV has been creating plans and designs for the overhauling of minelayers, minesweepers, torpedo boats and other types of naval craft, as follows:
  - a. Four 800-ton minelayers and minesweepers, German manufacture, which were taken over by the Soviets and placed under repair. Two had 1,000 horsepower steam type engines made by the Progresul factory. Each also had mounts for four guns [redacted] of 88 mm. caliber. 50X1-HUM
  - b. Three torpedo boats made at Ferni-Sovrom in Galati. Each had two torpedo tubes and storage capacity for only two more torpedoes. The completion date [redacted] estimated [redacted] to be December 1951. 50X1-HUM
4. The repair work based on IPRONAV designs is carried out at the Viitorul Shipyard. 50X1-HUM
5. [redacted] 50X1-HUM  
[redacted] an order had been received for the building of a floating dock. [redacted] the order was subsequently cancelled. 2

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